# Mountain Weather Forecast

## Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 27 Jan 2021 until 23:59 on Thursday 28 Jan 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 27 Jan 2021 at 03:39 by Met Office Aberdeen

**Confidence:** High for remaining very cold with a generally fine day Wednesday and for a more settled spell Friday and Saturday, but lower for details of northward extent of snow on Thursday and timing of fronts pushing east on Sunday.

**Headline for Wednesday 27 Jan 2021:** Becoming mainly dry with some long sunny spells developing. Very cold.

**Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 27 Jan 2021**

**Blizzards**
No Likelihood

**Heavy Snow**
No Likelihood

**Storm force winds**
No Likelihood

**Gales**
No Likelihood

**Severe chill effect**
High Likelihood

**Poor visibility**
Low Likelihood

**Thunderstorms**
No Likelihood

**Heavy persistent rain**
No Likelihood

**Strong sunlight**
Low Likelihood

| **Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m** | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Time | | | | | |
| 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 |
| Dull | Cloudy | Cloudy | Cloudy | Cloudy | Cloudy |
| Precipitation probability | | | | | |
| 20% | 10% | <05% | <05% | 00% | 00% |

**Forecast for Wednesday 27 Jan 2021**
**Weather:** A bright morning, perhaps the odd light snow showers around, but sunny spells developing more widely through the morning. The afternoon looks dry with sunshine becoming almost unbroken then a dry and clear evening.

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** Around 25% improving close to 100% by early afternoon.

**Visibility:** Periods of cloud above 600m at first gradually lifting and breaking with little or no cloud expected below summits by early afternoon. Away from cloud visibility very good with good panoramic views of surrounding snow covered hills, falling to just a few kilometres in any snow or snow showers. Glare off lying snow is expected, especially in afternoon.

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**Forecast for Wednesday 27 Jan 2021**

| Height (m) | Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from) | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1000** | 12/15 E | 17/22 E | 14/21 E | 17/24 E | 22/31 E | 29/40 E | 33/46 E |
| **900** | 12/15 E | 18/23 E | 17/24 E | 20/27 E | 26/35 E | 32/44 E | 35/48 E |
| **600** | 10/13 E | 11/17 E | 11/19 E | 14/23 E | 18/28 E | 21/34 E | 23/37 E |
| **300** | 6/13 E | 8/17 E | 9/18 E | 10/19 E | 12/23 E | 14/27 E | 14/30 E |
| **Glen** | 11/16 E | 13/22 NE | 13/22 E | 14/23 E | 17/28 E | 20/32 E | 21/35 E |

| Height (m) | Temperature / Feels Like (°C) | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1000** | -3/-8 | -4/-11 | -4/-11 | -5/-12 | -5/-14 | -6/-15 | -6/-16 |
| **900** | -2/-8 | -3/-10 | -4/-11 | -4/-12 | -5/-14 | -5/-15 | -5/-15 |
| **600** | 0/-4 | -1/-6 | -1/-6 | -2/-7 | -2/-9 | -3/-10 | -2/-10 |
| **300** | 0/-3 | 0/-4 | 0/-4 | -0/-5 | -2/-8 | -3/-9 | -2/-8 |
| **Glen** | 3/-1 | 3/-2 | 3/-1 | 3/-2 | 1/-5 | 1/-5 | 1/-5 |
| **Freezing Level*** | 400m | 300m | 200m | 100m | 00m | 00m | 00m |

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

**Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View**

Sheltered northern valley temperatures close around minus 5 Celsius at dawn and falling below freezing this evening.

**Forecast for Thursday 28 Jan 2021**

**Weather:** Dry with long clear or sunny spells at first but becoming cloudier from the southwest. Outbreaks of mainly light snow expected to reach the south of the area around midday and then edge north through the afternoon and evening, however there is some doubt over the northern extent of the snow.

**Maximum wind:** Easterly or southeasterly 25-30mph, with a severe chill effect, in early hours easing 20mph through the morning and then 15mph later

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** Close to 100% through morning falling to 25% across the south, but nearer 75% in the north during the afternoon.

**Visibility:** Little or no cloud below summits through the morning then periods developing above 600m across the south in the afternoon with cloud more occasional in the north. Away from cloud, very good falling to just a few kilometres in snow later.

**Temperature:** **Glens:** Around minus 5 or 6 Celsius at dawn rising to Around plus 1 or 2 Celsius by day
**At 800m:** Around minus 5 Celsius
**Freezing level:** 300m or less

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